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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2817**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

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NISHIHARA et al.

Art Unit: 2817

Application No.: 10/717,487

Examiner: B. Summons

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For: FILTER ELEMENT, AND FILTER DEVICE, DUPLEXER AND HIGH-FREQUENCY CIRCUIT EACH INCLUDING SAID FILTER ELEMENT

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

**Introductory Comments**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2005, please enter the following amendments: